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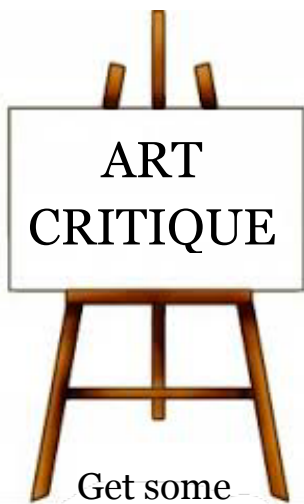
May 2017

May Meeting:

Thursday,
May 11

**Katherine
Mickle**

will be critiquing
artwork from our
Spring Show!



Get some
interesting
feedback on
your art work!



*Complimentary
snacks for our
May meeting
provided by:*

Frank Bisceglia,
Jocelyn Guidry,
Linda SantEufemia



CAN Members & Other Interested Artists:

Thursday, May 4 - General Membership Meeting from 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm. Members only - join us for our Business Meeting from 6:00 - 7:00 pm in the Bear Run Room at the Cranberry Township Municipal Center. All other guests - join us for Speaker **Ron Donoughe's** demonstration of **Plein Air Painting** from **7:00 pm - 9:00 pm**. The business meeting is open to current members only, but Ron's demonstration is open to the public.

Date change! Thursday May 18 - New Member Screening.
Drop off 6:00 - 6:15 pm and pick-up 7:30 - 8:00 pm. See <http://cranberryartistsnetwork.com/membership/> for details.

Reminder: There is **no open studio in May** since Plein Air starts then. If anyone wants to volunteer to keep open studio going through the summer, please send us an email!

Martinis with Monet - Watch for the prospectus coming out in the next week or so. This is the annual fundraiser for the Cranberry Township Community Chest.

CAN Plein Air Schedule for May:

May 4 - 9:00 am - North Boundary Park, Cranberry Township.

May 6 - Saturday Specials:

- 1.) Old Economy Village Garden Mart, Ambridge PA, 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.
- 2.) **Diane Grguras** - Speaking on Plein Air, "What Not to Bring", 1:00 pm, The Artsmiths, 1635 McFarland Road, Pittsburgh.

May 11 - 9:00 am - Rochester Riverfront Park, Water Street, Rochester, PA 15074.

May 18 - 6:30 pm - Victory Christian Church - 21150 Perry Hwy, Cranberry Township. Evening Sunset Painting.

May 25 - 9:00 am - Asgard Acres Alpaca Farms, 180 Nursery Road, Renfrew, PA.

Carol Begley News: The Summer Gallery in The ART Studio, 568 Third Street, Second floor, Beaver, PA, will be open from May until August...(hours are on the door). There will be a display of beautiful pastel paintings by Carol Volz Begley PSA as well as some of her oil paintings. Come and enjoy!!

The West Hills Art League is having their **50th Annual Art Exhibition and Opening Reception** on **Sunday, May 14, 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm.** Robin Hill Park, 949 Thorn Run Road, Moon Township, PA.

Member News

Farewell message from our President Kathy Bischak

Dear BVA Members:

It has been my honor and privilege to serve for the last 4 years as your President.

Hopefully, **Jennie Johnstone** will have as much *support* as I have had in carrying on the 40 year legacy of the BVA. NOTE: We still are in need of someone to fill the office of **Membership Chair**.

Sue Masley has been Vice President for at least 10 years. I want to take this time to publicly thank Sue for all the work she did on the Shows for the past number of years. Sue has been responsible for designing posters, postcards, and programs for the shows for as many years as I can remember.

Thank you Debbie Tobin for offering to be the BVA Vice President for next year.

The Secretary has been **Jennie Johnstone** for the last several years. Thank you Jennie for taking perfect notes, and for compiling a list of the members for us to share. **But most of all thank you for taking over the *office of President* for next year.**

Thank you Colleen Tittinger for offering to become the Secretary for the BVA.

The Treasurer has been and will continue to be **Lynn Roberts**. Thank you Lynn for your input on the board, and for taking good care of the BVA money.

The Membership chair has been **Mary Jane Hadley**. I want to thank Mary Jane for taking great care of membership for the last 4 years. I appreciate all of your support, Mary Jane. She has also spear headed the Plein Air Group for both BVA and CAN.

Membership chair still needs to be filled for next year. Membership chair collects dues then turns them over to the Treasurer. She/he also keeps an accurate record of current members and their attendance at meetings. This can be held by more than one person.

Program is chaired by **Laurie Fillinger**. Thank you Laurie for being willing to step up and really become a vital part of the BVA. Laurie has not only been Program chair, but she has been doing Refreshments. It would be nice if someone would help Laurie maintain these two important jobs.

Newsletter chair has just been taken over this year by **Ruth Stone**. Ruth, thank you so much for the great job you are doing. Thanks also for the great posters you have made for our shows and becoming a vital part of the BVA Board. Thanks also to **Jocelyn Guidry** for her many years of being the Newsletter chair.

Publicity has been chaired by **Sue Giles Ireton**. Thank you so much Sue for your help with this vital role. I may call on you for help since this is the job I will take over for BVA.

Website is still chaired by **Linda Headland**. Thank you, Linda for the dedication you have had to the BVA. You have been the heart of the group as long as I can remember.

Thank you all so much for the great 4 years as President of BVA.

Kathy

Artist's Quote:

"Creativity is God's gift to us. Using our creativity is our gift back to God."

Julia Cameron

Art Movie -Séraphine (2009). Netflix. Fascinating story about a simple cleaning lady in 1920 who passionately paints exotic flowers and plants and the man who discovered her.

She is a visionary, a devout Catholic who believes she is guided by a guardian angel. Her work is quite amazing.



Midland Arts Council - Summer Gallery Call for Artists - 2017 Exhibition, Friday, June 23 - Tuesday, July 4.

Sunday, June 11 - all works to be delivered to **Lincoln Park Performing Arts Center Atrium** between **noon - 2:00 pm**. Web site: midland-arts-council-pa.com to download the prospectus.

Thursday, June 22 - Opening Reception for Artists and Guests in the Atrium. Lincoln Park Performing Arts Center - 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm. AWARDS 8:15 pm. Always a lovely, well-attended event!

Exhibition Hours: Friday June 23 - Monday, July 3 - 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Tuesday, July 4 - 1:00 - 7:00 pm. Inquiries: **Evelyn Adams**, Council President, 724-643-9968.

Membership Dues:

Individual: \$25 - Family: \$30

Make checks payable to: Beaver Valley Artists.

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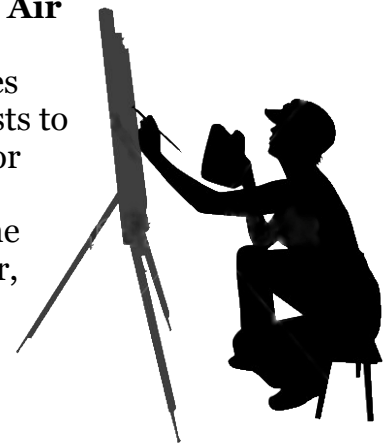
Bio of the Month: Jennie Johnstone.

(Editor's Note: We are featuring Bios from our 40th Anniversary Show.)

I grew up in rural Colorado, **immersed in the beauty of nature.** I received a B.A. in English Literature from the University of Colorado, which led to work in printing and publishing. I returned to school to study drawing and painting at the Lyme Academy College of Fine Art in Old Lyme, Connecticut. Living in Colorado, New England, and now Pennsylvania, I have found a constant solace and source of inspiration in beauty and the natural world. Light and shadow, color, line and texture have a profound power to move us. **In my art I seek to celebrate the beauty around us through careful observation,** and so my style is realist. I have painted portraits and landscapes, but my favorite subject is still life, because each painting is an opportunity to create a new world of color and design.

Donna Kelly from the Air Heritage Museum in

Beaver Falls, PA - invites artists or groups of artists to set up and draw, paint or photograph all the interesting aircraft at the museum. To contact her, please phone 724-372-8858.



Artist's Quote:

"If I create from the heart nearly everything works; if from the head, almost nothing."

Marc Chagall

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